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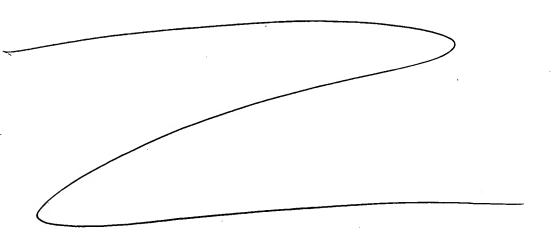
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## Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on September 26, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the reply fails to address the examiner's rejection of apparatus claims 9 through 16 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, regarding the lack of clarity as to which structures or materials or equivalents thereof correspond to the various means-plus-function limitations in the claims listed in the second paragraph of section 9 on page 6 of the Office action mailed on June 27, 2006. To be fully compliant, applicant's reply must specify which structures or materials or equivalents thereof correspond to each of the listed means-plus-function limitations. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cheryl J. Tyler can be reached on 571-272-4834. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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